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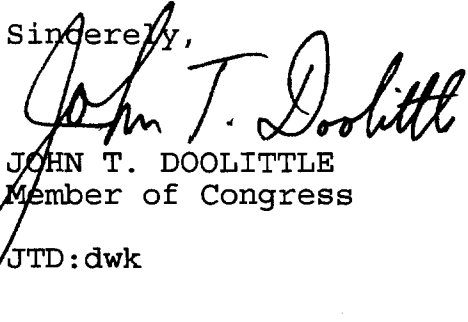
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Mr. Doron Fertig  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, NW.  
Washington D.C. 20554

Dear Mr. Fertig:

Please include the enclosed comments from my constituents in the public docket (PR Docket 92-235). They contacted my office to express opposition to the proposed rule on 72-76 MHz frequencies. I informed them that this matter is under the jurisdiction of the FCC and that I would forward their comments to you. I hope you will take the views of model airplane flyers into consideration as you draft this rule.

Sincerely,

  
JOHN T. DOOLITTLE  
Member of Congress

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for a  
response. Jan. 28, 1993

Dee & Alta David  
76113 Birdcage St #42  
Citrus Heights, Calif 95610

Congressman John Doolittle  
1684 Santa Clara Dr  
Roseville, Calif.

Congressman Doolittle,

Please sign on as a cosponsor  
of H.R. 28, the Federal Reserve Ac-  
countability Act of 1993, intro-  
duced by House Banking Committee  
Chairman Henry Gonzalez.

This is a very important measure  
which needs your support, since  
it will at long last bring a measure  
of Public Accountability to the all-  
important control over the nation's

money.

Please let us know whether or not you will cosponsor this bill. If you choose not to support H.R. 28, we would also like to know why, we will be watching your actions on this matter closely.

Sincerely,  
Dee & Atta Baird

The Honorable Mr. Doolittle  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20541

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**Inter** I am retired and  
spend many hours ~~building~~  
and flying RADIO CONTROLLED  
MODEL AIRCRAFT. Regarding  
the new proposal:

PR DOCKET 92-235

If that goes through,  
I will have to give  
up my hobby because  
I will never know when  
someone is close by  
with that frequency  
and interfere with my  
aircraft thus causing  
an uncontrolled crash.

This is not only  
devastating but could  
also be very dangerous.

Thank you.

Respectfully  
Submitted,

Don Chipman

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DONALD R. WALKER  
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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The Honorable John Doolittle  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

January 31, 1993

Dear Representative Doolittle,

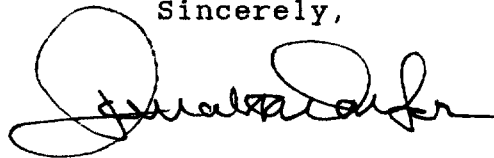
I am writing to you today concerning PR Docket 92-235 which is a proposal of the F.C.C. to insert new users into a portion of the spectrum presently designated for the hobby use of radio controlled airplanes. I am advised by competent advisors that the technical specifications proposed will permit these new users to interfere with the use of these frequencies for the control of model airplanes.

Radio interference as most of us think of it is merely a nuisance. In this case it will mean that we will lose control of our aircraft thusly putting the many spectators at risk who watch our hobby in use and will destroy our aircraft that represent a considerable investment in time and money.

I recently retired and make this hobby a principal part of my life as I looked forward to for so many years. It just seems that everything in this world that is a pleasure and involves some ability is always under attack. These frequencies have been used for many years for this use so I just cannot understand why we are being foreclosed out by the F.C.C. at this time.

I ask you to give this matter your earnest consideration and find in our favor by insisting that the F.C.C. develop an alternative plan for the proposed users. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Donald R. Walker

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**art busalacchi**

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JANUARY 31, 1993

THE HONORABLE JOHN T. DOOLITTLE  
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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REF: PR DOCKET 92-235

I AM WRITING TO YOU TO HELP OPPOSE THE PROPOSED RULE  
MAKING BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC)  
(NPRM-PR DOCKET 92-235) WHICH, IF IMPLEMENTED, WILL HAVE A  
PROFOUND EFFECT ON MODEL RADIO CONTROL USE.

I AM RETIRED AND DERIVE MANY HOURS OF PLEASURE FROM  
BUILDING AND OPERATING RADIO CONTROLLED MODELS. I AM  
ACTIVE IN OUR LOCAL CLUB.

I OWN SEVEN PIECES OF RADIO EQUIPMENT THAT WOULD BE  
UNUSABLE IF THIS FREQUENCY ASSIGNMENT IS ADOPTED. MY HOBBY  
SHOP BUSINESS INVOLVES 85% RADIO CONTROL SALES.

THE MODELS I BUILD WEIGH AS MUCH AS TEN POUNDS AND OPERATE  
AT SIXTY M.P.H..

OUR CLUB OPERATES AT A PUBLIC PARK. SINCE THE PROPOSED NEW  
FREQUENCIES ARE SO CLOSE, INTERFERENCE WILL OCCUR AND  
RENDER MOST MODEL FREQUENCIES UNUSABLE.

SINCERELY,

*Art Busalacchi*  
ART BUSALACCHI

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JANUARY 28, 1993

CONGRESSMAN JOHN DOOLITTLE  
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RE: PR DOCKET 92-235

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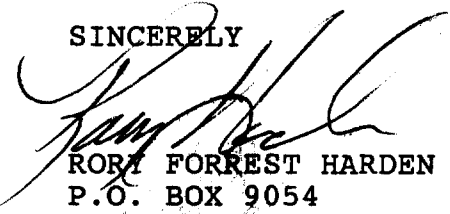
THERE IS CURRENT LEGISLATION TO ADD NEW FREQUENCIES BETWEEN THE ALREADY EXISTING MODEL AIRCRAFT BANDS. THESE NEW FREQUENCIES WOULD BE DESIGNATED TO MOBILE USE SUCH AS PHONES, PAGERS, AND RADIOS IN NON RESTRICTED AREAS. THIS WOULD CREATE A HAZARD TO THE MANY PEOPLE WHO ENJOY THE SPORT OF RADIO CONTROL MODEL AIRCRAFT. WHEN TWO FREQUENCIES OVER LAP THE END RESULT IS THE MODEL AIRCRAFT CRASHES WITH THE PILOT HAVING NO CONTROL WHAT SO EVER OF WHERE, IN A STREET, A CAR, A HOUSE, OR A CROWD OF PEOPLE WHO ARE WATCHING THE MODEL AIRCRAFT. FLYING MODELS TEND TO DRAW A CROWD.

I PERSONALLY HAVE MANY AIRCRAFT, SOME RANGING IN COST OF \$3000.00 DOLLARS AND SOME CAN WEIGH UP TO 55 POUNDS. I HAVE HAD FREQUENCY CRASHES AND IT IS THE MOST HELPLESS FEELING YOU CAN GET IN THIS SPORT. IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW GOOD A PILOT YOU ARE YOU LOSE YOUR AIRPLANE AND YOU JUST PRAY IT DOESN'T HIT ANYONE.

I HOPE THAT YOU WILL **VOTE AGAINST** THIS NEW VIOLATION OF OUR FLYING FREQUENCIES. AT ALL FIELDS THERE IS FREQUENCY CONTROL OF SOME KIND AND THE ACCIDENTS ARE HELD TO A MINIMUM BUT WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE THERE WOULD BE A CLOUD OF DOUBT THAT WOULD GREATLY HINDER A SPORT THAT I SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF TIME AT. I AM A AVID CONTEST FLYER AND TRAVEL AROUND THE STATE TO COMPETE. THIS YEAR WILL SEE ME GOING TO OTHER STATES TO COMPETE. AGAIN, PLEASE **VOTE NO** ON THESE NEW FREQUENCIES. IF I'M GOING TO LOSE ONE OF MY PLANES I WOULD LIKE TO BELIEVE THAT I DID IT NOT SOME ONE OUT ON THE HIGHWAY CALLING HOME.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME REGARDING THIS MATTER.

SINCERELY



RORY FORREST HARDEN  
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(916)541-3574

Dear Mr. Doolittle:

- For Bill = PR Docket 92-235-

2/7/93

I am retired and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes, I own 3 pieces of radio equipment that would be unusable if this frequency assignment is adopted. My hobby shop business involves 10% radio control sales, since the proposed new frequencies are so close, interference will occur and render most model frequencies unusable so!

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I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72 - 76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely, Robert D. Stern

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DEAR MR. DOOLITTLE,

I HAVE BEEN INTERESTED IN AVIATION FOR AS LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER. I AM ACTIVE IN A LOCAL CLUB WHOSE MEMBERS ENJOY CONSTRUCTING AND OPERATING RADIO CONTROLLED MODEL AIRPLANES.

I AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT PROPOSED RULES THAT ARE CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION. THE PROCEEDING IS PR DOCKET 92-235. IF ADOPTED, THE NEW RULES WILL GREATLY REDUCE THE USABILITY OF FREQUENCIES CURRENTLY ASSIGNED FOR MODEL USE AND INCREASE THE RISK OF ACCIDENTS AND ATTENDANT LIABILITY FOR CONTROLLING MODEL AIRPLANES.

OUR RADIO CONTROL FREQUENCIES ARE IN THE 72-76 MHZ BAND. THIS BAND IS PRIMARILY USED FOR PRIVATE LAND MOBILE DISPATCH OPERATIONS. HOWEVER, OUR RADIO CONTROL FREQUENCIES IN THIS BAND ARE FAR ENOUGH APART FROM THE LAND MOBILE FREQUENCIES THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SHARE THE BAND WITHOUT EITHER USE INTERFERING WITH THE OTHER.

NOW THE FCC WANTS TO CREATE MORE LAND MOBILE FREQUENCIES BY SPLITTING THEM INTO NARROWER BANDWIDTHS AND REARRANGING THE BAND PLAN. AS A RESULT, MANY LAND MOBILE FREQUENCIES WILL MOVE CLOSER TO THE RADIO CONTROL FREQUENCIES AND CAUSE INTERFERENCE TO RADIO CONTROL OPERATIONS. I AM TOLD THAT OF THE 50 FREQUENCIES THAT ARE PRESENTLY AVAILABLE FOR RADIO CONTROL OF MODEL AIRPLANES, ONLY 19 FREQUENCIES WILL BE LEFT IF THESE NEW RULES ARE ADOPTED.

WHEN WE FLY OUR MODEL AIRPLANES UNDER RADIO CONTROL, WE GO TO GREAT LENGTHS TO ASSURE THE

SAFETY OF THE OPERATORS AND BYSTANDERS AND THE PROTECTION OF PROPERTY. MANY OF OUR SAFETY PRECAUTIONS INVOLVE THE CAREFUL COORDINATION AND USE OF THE RADIO CONTROL FREQUENCIES. IF THE NUMBER OF USABLE FREQUENCIES IS DIMINISHED AS PROPOSED BY THE FCC, THE REMAINING FREQUENCIES WILL BECOME CONGESTED AND THE MARGIN OF SAFETY WILL BE GREATLY DECREASED.

PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT MODEL AIRPLANES HAVE WING SPANS UP TO 10 FEET AND WEIGH AS MUCH AS 30 OR 40 POUNDS. THE MODELS THEMSELVES ARE EXPENSIVE TO BUILD; BUT MORE TO THE POINT, THEY ARE CAPABLE OF CAUSING PROPERTY DAMAGE, SERIOUS INJURY, OR EVEN DEATH IF RADIO INTERFERENCE CAUSES THE OPERATOR TO LOSE CONTROL OF THE CRAFT. WE OFTEN FLY OUR MODELS AT ORGANIZED EVENTS AND CONTESTS WHERE HUNDREDS OF OPERATORS PARTICIPATE. WE NEED THE USE OF OUR FULL COMPLEMENT OF RADIO FREQUENCIES IN ORDER TO ASSURE A SAFE FLYING ENVIRONMENT.

I DO NOT THINK IT IS WISE OF THE FCC TO SEEK TO IMPROVE THE OPERATING CONDITIONS OF LAND MOBILE RADIO USERS AT THE EXPENSE OF RADIO CONTROL MODELERS.

PLEASE HELP ME CONTINUE THE SAFE ENJOYMENT OF MY PASTIME BY NOT ALLOWING THE FCC TO CARRY OUT ITS PROPOSALS FOR THE 72-76 MHZ BAND.

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JOHN R. FORD

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February 3, 1993

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The Honorable John Doolittle  
1524 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Doolittle

I am retired and an active member of a local club that derives many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating miniature radio controlled model aircraft.

I am very upset and concerned about the proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communication Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for miniature model aircraft use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling miniature model airplanes. If the FCC is allowed to implement this plan, it can and most likely will ruin the radio controlled model aircraft, car and boat industry, because we will not be able to operate our aircraft, cars or boats safely. I can not tell you how many jobs will be lost or how much money is involved, I am sure you have resources available to provide you with accurate information on this aspect.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72 - 76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidth and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the miniature aircraft radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio controlled model aircraft, car and boat operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

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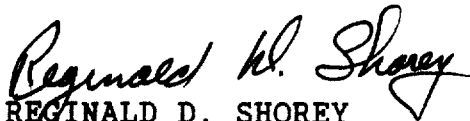
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Please understand that miniature model aircraft are not toys and have wing spans up to 10 feet, are powered by engines with horsepower rating as high as 17 horsepower, can fly at speeds greater than 100 miles per hour and weigh as much as 55 pounds. The models themselves are very expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the aircraft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. Every time things settle down, meaning we know what radio equipment we should buy and use, determined by the frequency allocation constraints set up by the FCC, they (the FCC) go and change the frequency allocation and requirements, rendering our radio equipment useless. This requires all of us involved in this industry and hobby to purchase new equipment that will operate within the constraints that the FCC has established. Please note that it generally takes years to produce and test radio control equipment that will operate safely for model aircraft cars and boats. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my hobby by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely



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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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28 January, 1993

The Honorable John T Doolittle  
U S House of Representatives  
Washington, D C 20515

Dear Mr Doolittle,

I am a retired Caltrans engineer and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) under PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72 - 76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private mobile dispatch operations. However, our frequencies are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the frequencies without interfering with each other.

Now, however, the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan without tightening the tolerances as to preclude interference with existing users. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 usable frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted as proposed.

When we fly our models under control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators, bystanders and property. This requires careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies, with less frequencies available this margin of safety will be decreased.

Please understand that many of these models have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 40 pounds and may cost over a thousand dollars to build. By their very nature of speed, they are capable of causing great damage, injury or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control. We often fly at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators and spectators participate. We need the use of our full complement of frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Very truly yours,

  
Harvey C Simpkins

January 29, 1993

The Honorable John Doolittle  
1524 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Subject: Proposed FCC Rule (NPRM-PR Docket 92-235)

Dear Mr. Doolittle:

I spend a good portion of my spare time and money building and flying radio-controlled model aircraft. Therefore I'm quite concerned about the proposed rules under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use. Adoption will also increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model aircraft.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

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When we fly our model aircraft under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly reduced.

Please understand that many model aircraft have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like me and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Roland A. Swirsky". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Roland A. Swirsky

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Congressman John J. Doolittle  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Ross Perot says that the country belongs to the people, and that you work for us. I am writing this letter to tell you that we the people are about to be ripped off by special interests and big business. We the small guys need your help!

I am 63, retired, a veteran and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and flying radio-controlled model airplanes and boats.

I personally own 6 radios, seven R/C models and have a workshop full of equipment and products necessary to operating my models.

I am concerned about the proposed rule that is currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR DOCKET 92-235. If adopted the new rule will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for R/C model use and increase the risk of accidents and insurance costs.

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR DOCKET 92-235 For The 72-76 MHz band. We all need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of February 26 1993 after which it may become more difficult to avoid halting these proposals from going into effect.

Sincerely,

Jamie W Shannon

P.S.

as you know the cellular phones that would steal our frequencies may be the cause of brain cancer, do we need more of that?

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THE HONORABLE RICHARD H. LEHMAN  
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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Congressman John Doolittle  
1624 Sante Clara Drive Suite 260  
Roseville, CA 95661

Re: PR Docket 92-235

Dear Congressman Doolittle;

I am writing to you in regards to a proposed FCC rule change, PR Docket 92-235.

For the past 13 years, I have been very active in building and flying radio control model airplanes. I am a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and have belonged to several AMA sanctioned clubs.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). If PR Docket 92-235 is adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Please understand, effective January 1991, new frequencies were implemented by the FCC, at the request of the AMA, to ASSURE CONTINUED AVAILABILITY of adequate number of frequencies for modeling use. The change required new, expensive radio equipment in order to comply with the rulings. The vast majority of modelers were forced to spend hundreds of dollars to buy new radio equipment, or upgrade older equipment if possible, in order to comply with the new rules. I personally had approximately \$ 2,000 of radio equipment become useless and had to buy new equipment if I wanted to continue enjoying my hobby. Now, just two years later, we may be forced to go through this again.

The current proposed ruling is far more serious than what occurred in January 1991. When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders, and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet, weigh as much as 30 - 40 pounds, and travel at speeds of up to 100 MPH...sometimes higher. The models are very expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests, where hundreds of operators participate, and thousands of spectators are present. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to expand the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me and my fellow modelers continue the safe enjoyment of our pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72 - 76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michael A. Saras". The signature is fluid and stylized, with the first name being the most prominent.

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*FL*  
The Honorable Phil Donnell  
1524 Longworth House Office Bldg.  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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I am retired and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes here in the Sacramento area.

The reason I am writing you is that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is considering new rules (PR DOCKET 92-235) which will greatly reduce the availability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and will greatly increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower band widths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and will cause interference to our radio control operations. I am told of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Many of the models are large some up to 10 foot wing spans and weigh as much as 30 pounds. These models are expensive to build, and they are capable of causing property damage, serious

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Thank you for your help.

Sincerely

Jack Lobenberg

P.S.

When you're in Sacramento and have some spare time I would be happy to take you out to a flying field so you can see what it is all about.

Dear Representative John Doo

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FCC

There is an F.C.C. Action on NPRM 92-235 which will endanger an almost perfect safety record in the U.S. We should not and cannot let this happen.

We deeply require & need your help in a very important matter involving thousands of model aircraft modelers, who use frequencies in the 72-76 MHz Bands. Radio controlled flying in the U.S.A. is a multi-million dollar hobby involving many thousands of people ranging in ages from teens to very old ages.

This action must be stopped! Narrowing our Channel frequencies (which are barely enough now) will cause many crashes and possible death not to mention thousands of dollars in investments and hundreds of hours of time building these Aircraft.

This is a sincere cry for your help. Stop the F.C.C. Action # 92-235. Please let me know your position on this matter.

Thank you for your help.

Ernest Köhn  
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Mountain Ranch  
Cal. 95246

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The Honorable John Doolittle  
U. S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear John Doolittle:

I have been active in Radio Control Airplanes since 1970 and have approximately \$1,500.00 in this hobby which I value very much. I am also an instructor at the local R.C. Club here in El Dorado County, California. These new mobile frequencies pose a threat to safety and liability. The models I fly weigh as much as 8 lbs. and speeds in excess of 100 mph. The new proposed frequencies are too close to their air band 72 MHz.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frederick Matson".

Frederick Matson